

In the Abstract:

Please make the following amendments to the Abstract:

Page 20, please delete the paragraph on line 3.

Page 20, please replace the paragraph beginning on line 7, with the following amended paragraph:

~~The invention relates to an~~ An expandable intra-gastric balloon (1) for treating obesity, ~~for implanting~~ The balloon can be implanted in the stomach of a patient in order to reduce the volume of the stomach. ~~The, said~~ balloon (1) ~~comprising~~ comprises at least one flexible bag (2) presenting an inside face (2A) and an opposite, outside face (2B). ~~The, said~~ inside and outside faces (2A, 2B) ~~forming form~~ the surface of the at least one flexible bag (2), ~~the balloon being characterized in that at~~ At least a portion of ~~said~~ the surface (2A, 2B) is covered by a coating (6, 6') comprising parylene.